Senior Chief Mass Communication Specialist Daniel F. Sanford Public Affairs Officer, U. S. Naval Air Facility Misawa

Senior Chief Mass Communication Specialist Daniel Sanford is a native of Kenmore, N.Y. He entered the U.S. Navy in March 1993, and graduated from Storekeeper "A" School in Meridian, Miss. in July 1993.

After graduation, he went on to decommission Naval Facility Argentia, Newfoundland, Canada, commissioned USS Ramage (DDG 61), homeported in Norfolk, and served on board Naval Air Facility Mildenhall, where he was named the command's 2000 Sailor of the Year.

After being selected to cross rate to the Navy's Journalist service rating, he graduated "A" school at the Defense Information School in Fort Meade, Md. in March 2001. He immediately served at the school's Navy detachment as a military training Instructor until October, 2002.



He has since served at Naval Station Everett, Wash., where he was selected to U.S. Naval Forces Central Command/U.S. 5th Fleet in Manama, Bahrain, and Fleet Combat Camera Group Pacific in San Diego, where he deployed with Joint Combat Camera-Iraq, and served as its senior enlisted advisor.

Senior Chief Sanford currently is forward deployed at U.S. Naval Air Facility Misawa, where he serves as the command's public affairs officer. During his time in Misawa, he helped coordinate the U.S. Navy's recovery efforts with Operation Tomodachi, and has served as the Navy Misawa Chief Petty Officer Association President from 2011-2012, and as the installation CPO 365 Coordinator for Fiscal Year 2013.

He also earned his Bachelor's Degree in Liberal Arts from Excelsior College in July 2013, and graduated from the Defense Information School's Joint Senior Enlisted Public Affairs Course in 2011.

His personal decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, and numerous Navy and Marine Corps Commendation and Achievement Medals.